

ABSTRACT

WA-I-459

19th Century

Clopper-Snively Farm

Hagerstown Vicinity

private

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

WA-I-459
District 27
Map 25
Parcel 200
MAGI # 2207005435

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC
Clopper-Snively Farm
AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
West of Marsh Pike

CITY, TOWN
Paramount

☒ VICINITY OF Hagerstown

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
6

STATE
Maryland

COUNTY
Washington

3 CLASSIFICATION**CATEGORY**

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH
PUBLIC ACQUISITION
☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☐ OCCUPIED
☒ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☐ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☒ OTHER: Not in Use

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
Spring Valley Wooded Estates

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER
C/O Hagerstown Lumber, Box 271

CITY, TOWN
Hagerstown

☐ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Maryland 21740

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Washington County Court House

STREET & NUMBER

West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE
Maryland 21740

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☒ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED < 50%

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This farm complex is located on the west side of Marsh Pike just north of the village of Paramount and north of Hagerstown in Washington County, Maryland. The house which is vacant and deteriorated is situated on level ground near the edge of the road and faces west. It has been vacant for some time and is deteriorated. It is surrounded by a modern housing subdivision.

The dwelling is a two story, four bay brick structure with a flat shed roof sloping toward the rear of the house. A massive cornice is attached to the front of the house. Windows and doors have narrow frames and are topped with flat arches of brick. They have been boarded shut and so the type of sash is not visible.

The main entrance is located in the second bay from the north end of the front elevation. Evidence remains in the masonry of a flat roofed one story entrance porch which had a cornice profile similar to that of the main roof.

Brick chimneys with numerous courses of corbeling are located inside the side walls. The porch extends beyond the west or rear wall of the house where remains of a double porch are present.

Behind the house is a frame bank barn and other frame sheds and outbuildings, possibly parts of a sawmill which was in operation here during the mid 19th century.

The property contains 70.310 acres.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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Eventually in 1880 the farm came into the possession of Jacob Snively who was married to Henry Clopper's daughter. Apparently Jacob and Nancy Snively owned a substantial amount of Property in the Hagerstown vicinity. He was a farmer. This farm is part of the land grant, "Long Meadow Enlarged."

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 70,310 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Washington County Historical Sites Survey

DATE

January 1978

STREET & NUMBER

County Office Building, 33 West Washington Street

TELEPHONE

791-3065

CITY OR TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

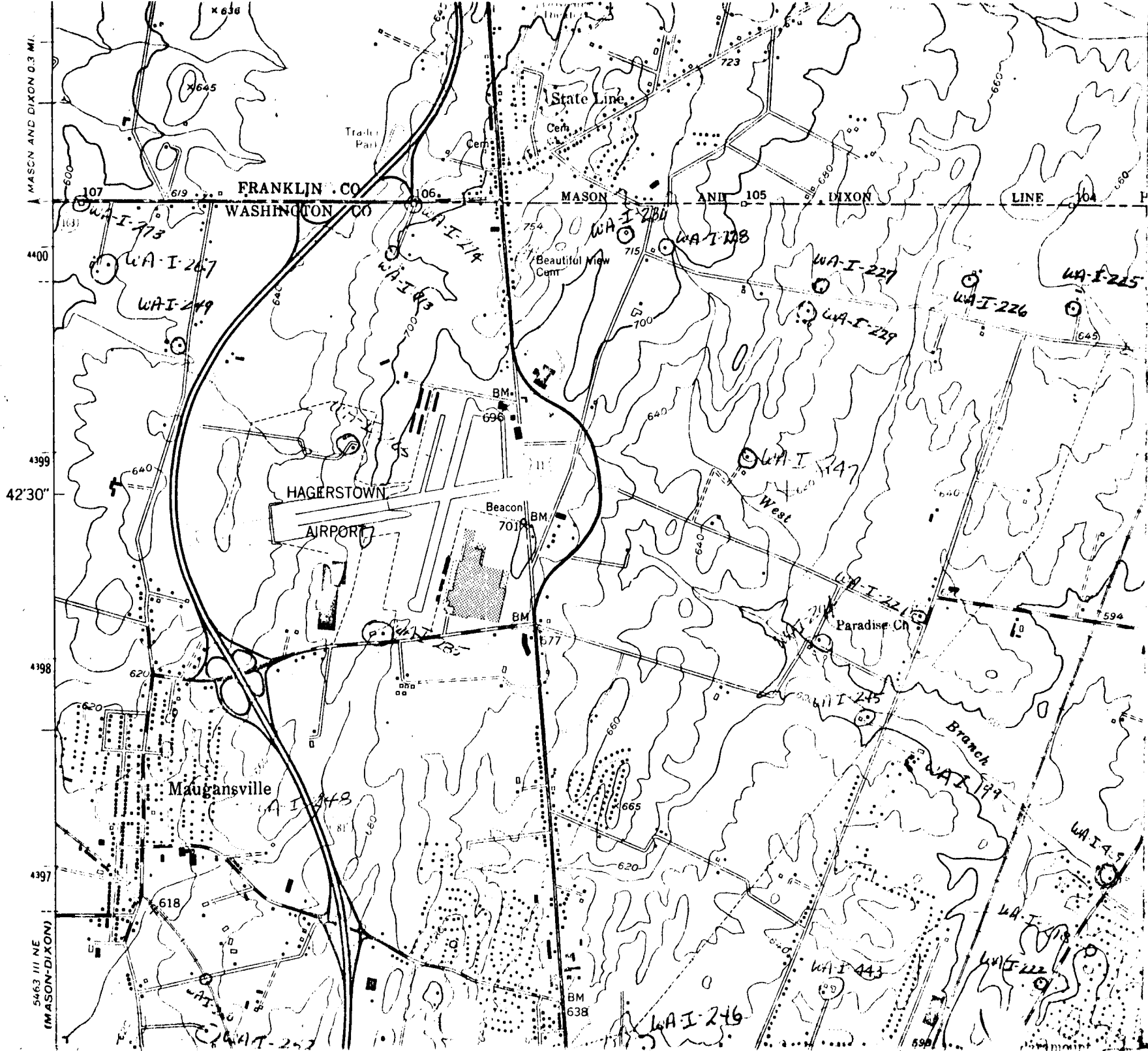
Maryland 21740

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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